

- Voter must provide an Indiana Driver's License Number, Indiana indentification number, unique ID number in SVRS, or last 4 of social security number on any application.
- Alternatively, the voter may provide a photocopy of their valid Indiana driver's license or ID card number or other proof of ID permited by the photo ID law (IC 3-5-2-40.5).
- If the voter submits a credential number instead of copy of ID, then credential number needs to match their SVRS voter ID number.
  - However, if the voter provides a DLN/ID/SSN credential number that is not currently found in the voter registration record, the county will update the record to include this information, after being validated by the BMV call.
- · If voter provides a copy of their ID, then there is no further action to take if the ID complies with the state's photo ID law.

(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2, IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)

- SVRS is currently being modified to allow counties to add the new ID number to the voter registration record. Adding an ID number to a record will take effect immediately, without putting the registration into pending status.
- Identification information is provided by the BMV through SVRS. The BMV information will identify if an ID number is "temporary", referring to an individual who holds a temporary immigration status.
  - Temporary status is not necessarily indication the voter is not a US citizen.
    - This is "point in time" verification when the credential application was made and may not be the current status of the individual.
    - CEB must do additional research to determine if individual is eligible to vote.
    - Effective July 1, 2023

(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2, IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)

- The new ID information on absentee applications does not apply to in-person absentee voting in counties using electronic pollbooks.
  - If you choose not to use an electronic pollbook, you will have to use a paper application so the voter can provide one of the ID numbers now required and you will need to match the ID number in SVRS prior to approving the application OR make a copy of the voter's valid photo ID to attach to the application.
- The temporary credential information provided by the BMV and given to the county voter registration official is confidential and may not be provided to the public.

(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2, IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17

- The identification number provided on the voter's absentee ballot application, or the photocopy of the identification document provided with the application is confidential.
- A county voter registration official is only required to redact the confidential information in responding to a public records request.
- A voter's ID number once placed on their registration record is public information.

(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2 IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)

### **ABS Cure Process**

- •If an ABS-Mail application does not have all the required information to receive an absentee ballot and is received by the county more than 12 days before the election, the county must send the voter a notice and provide the voter an opportunity to cure the issue using a form prescribed by the Election Division.
- •If a defective ABS-Mail application is received less than 12 days before an election and before noon before election day, the county must: (1) send the voter an absentee application and a notice explaining the requirements necessary to vote by absentee ballot; and (2) provide the voter an opportunity to cure the issue using a form prescribed by the Election Division. If the application is late, the notice must include a statement that the application was late.
- The law is silent on what to do if a defective application comes in on day 12.

(IC 3-11-4-17.5, IC 3-11-4-17.6)

### **ABS Cure Process**

- If a voter submits a defective application before the deadline to receive an absentee ballot, then notwithstanding the requirement under law for previous unanimous approval from the county election board, the clerk may deliver an absentee application in person, approve the second application if the defect is corrected, and if accompanied by a bi-partisan absentee voter board, provide an absentee ballot to the voter.
- The voter may then return the absentee ballot to the absentee voter board or county election board. If a county chooses to provide this service, it must be done in a uniform manner to all applications governed by this procedure.

(IC 3-11-4-17.5, IC 3-11-4-17.6)

# **Town Conventions**

### **Town Convention**

Before the convention, the county election board must furnish the town party secretary with a list of the town's registered voters.

List must include when voter registered if the voter registered in 2023.

Town chair organizes and runs town convention

- Convention must occur by Aug. 21.
- Notice to call the convention stating the date, time, and place of when convention will occur must be filed with county clerk and post in (3) prominent places around town including town clerk-treasurer's office.

IC 3-8-5-10 | IC 3-8-5-11

### Who Can Vote?

- A person may participate and vote at the town convention if they meet all of the following:
  - Reside in the town on the convention date.
  - Registered to vote at an address in the town by the date established in the political party's rules.
  - Subscribes under penalties of perjury the person is affiliated with the political party.
  - Complies with all political party rules regarding affiliation.
- If a voter objects to the chair's determination, then the matter is put to a vote of all whose eligibility is not in dispute.
- A town voter can only participate in one party's town convention. A person who knowingly votes in more than one town convention commits a Class A misdemeanor.



# **Post-Convention**

- Following the convention, the convention chair and secretary must complete, sign, and file the CAN-18 certificate of nomination with the county clerk by NOON, August 28, 2023.
- The county clerk must file a copy of the CAN-18 they receive with the town clerk-treasurer by NOON, September 5, 2023
  - Moved from September 4, 2023 because of Labor Day

IC 3-8-5-13

# Town Convention Candidate Challenge

- Registered voter of the town or major party county chairman may challenge candidate nominated by town convention.
- Challenge generally heard by county election board.
  - Unless seldom used town election board has been created.
- CAN-1 challenge affidavit setting forth facts and law supporting challenge file with county election board.
- County election board conducts hearing and rules on challenge.

IC 3-8-1-2

# **Appeals to County Election Board**

- If a voter in the small town disagrees with a decision by the town election board or clerk-treasurer in administering the town election, then the voter may appeal the decision to the county election board.
- In towns that cross county lines, the appear must be filed with the CEB of the county with the greatest percentage of the town's population
- The appeal must be a brief written statement setting forth the grounds for the appeal and can have relevant documents attached.
- The CEB must rule on the appeal within 10 days after the appeals is filed.

IC 3-10-7-35

# **Town Convention Deadlines**

8/21/23 - Deadline for small town convention to be held.

8/28/23 – Deadline for town chair to file town convention candidate certificate with county clerk.

9/5/23 — Deadline for clerk to file copy of town convention candidate certificate with town clerk-treasurer.

9/5/23 – Deadline to file challenge against small town candidate with county or town election board.

9/12/23 – Deadline for county or town election board to resolve challenge.





# **Petitions**

Candidates for President, U.S. Senate and Governor will file petitions for signature verification to get on the May 2024 primary ballot.

• County voter registration office must verify the signatures are registered voters of their county.

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 First day to file a petition of nomination with a county.

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 NOON DEADLINE for a (R,D) candidate for President to file petition of nomination with the county.

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 NOON DEADLINE for a (R, D) candidate for U.S. Senator or Governor to file petition of nomination with the county.

Friday, February 9, 2024

DEADLINE, by noon, Indianapolis time, for (R, D) President, U.S. Senator, or Governor candidate to file a declaration of candidacy and petitions for placement on the primary election ballot with the election division <u>following certification of petition signatures by county voter registration offices</u>.

# County Process Examples

- 1. Count the pages while the carrier is there and have them enter the number. Pro Tip: look at front and back.
- 2. File stamp each page.
- 3. Carrier completes form.
- 4. Once verification is complete, carrier is called to retrieve petitions.
- 5. When carrier arrives, do a second verification count, enter it on the form and have the carrier sign.
- 6. Copies of all form and filed stamped petitions are then kept for future reference. This includes petitions filed with the state.

### Jennings County Election Office

P.O. Box 385 Vernon, IN 47282 \* Phone: (812) 352-3080 \* Fax: (812) 352-3081

Email: vote@jenningscounty-in.gov

Date:						
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# Hamilton County Example

- 1. First come, first serve basis
- 2. Petition carrier completes the form.
- 3. Count the pages twice while carrier is there.
- 4. Time stamp each page
- 5. County does required daily work (registrations and cancel lations) before petition processing.
- 6. Make copies of petitions
- 7. Call the contact for pick up.
- 8. Carrier must sign form with date and time petitions were picked up.
- 9. If requested to send to IED, county sends as soon as they are done.

### RECEIPT OF PETITIONS

Candidate:				
Number of Petition Forms:				
Representative delivering Petition:				
Phone Number of Representative:				
Signature of person delivering Petition:				
Person picking up Petition:				
Phone:				
Email:				
Date forms transferred to candidate:				
Number of Petition forms:				
Number of verified signatures:				
Signature of person picking up Petition:				
Printed name of person picking up Petition:				

